



Dear Mr Marsh

**Freedom of Information Request 3567325**

Thank you for your recent request. Your request was actioned under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in which you requested the following information –

- 1. The June 2018 Register of Interests showed that Mayor Joe Anderson's daughter, Cllr Joanne Calvert, was Senior PR Assistant with Daniel Hughes PR Agent. Please advise the date on which Cllr Calvert started this position and the date on which it ceased (as there is no corresponding entry in the July 2019 Register).*
- 2. Please advise whether Cllr Calvert was employed by Daniel Hughes PR so that income tax etc was deducted and remitted under PAYE or whether this was work she carried out on a self employed basis.*
- 3. Daniel Hughes PR worked on the Fox Street Village development in Everton, where the director of the companies behind that unfinished development was Gary Howard. Information available via the Companies House website clearly shows Gary Howard's involvement with other failed developers Elliot Lawless (via 1Dom Ltd) and Kerry Tomlinson (via Fox Street Village Ltd, St Cyprians Student Halls Ltd etc).*
  - (a) Was Cllr Calvert aware that by working with Daniel Hughes PR and Gary Howard she was effectively also linked to both Elliot Lawless and Kerry Tomlinson?*
  - (b) Did Cllr Calvert meet with:*
    - (i) Gary Howard or*
    - (ii) Elliot Lawless or*
    - (iii) Kerry Tomlinson*
- 4. Was the Mayor, Joe Anderson, aware of his daughter's connection with these three developers who have been responsible for a number of unfinished developments across the City?*

**Response:**

Liverpool City Council would advise as follows –

1. The employment commenced on 21 June 2018. The employment ceased on 15 March 2019.
2. The Code of Conduct for Elected Members requires the registration of interests within 28 days of such matters taking effect for the individual elected member and which has been complied with fully by the individual concerned. Matters relating to the specific employment and tax status of individuals employment are not required to be disclosed for inclusion within the Register of Interests and constitute personal data and therefore are exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) Freedom of Information Act 2000.
3. Freedom of Information legislation relates to information held by a public authority such as Liverpool City Council and not recollections of individuals. No information is therefore

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held in relation to this element of your request.

4. Freedom of Information legislation relates to information held by a public authority such as Liverpool City Council and not recollections of individuals. No information is therefore held in relation to this element of your request. The remainder of this element of your request constitutes expression of opinion, statement and comment and therefore is not valid under Freedom of Information legislation.

This concludes our response.

The City Council will consider appeals, referrals or complaints in respect of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 and you must submit these in writing to [Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk) within 28 days of receiving your response. The matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days.

If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner's website is [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk) and the postal address and telephone numbers are:- Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 0303-123-113. Email – [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk) (they advise that their email is not secure)

I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely  
**Information Team**